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In support of Senate Bill 873

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Senator Gerratana, Representative Johnson and members of the committee:

My name is Dr. Helene Pulnik. I am a licensed Naturopathic Physician in Connecticut for over 12 years, and have a private practice in Glastonbury, Ct., providing Naturopathic Medical care to my patients, including colon hydrotherapy as one of the Naturopathic modalities I was trained in during Naturopathic Medical school. I am here today to support Senate Bill 873, *An Act Concerning Colon Hydrotherapy*.

Naturopathic physicians are trained in colon hydrotherapy as one of our treatment modalities in Naturopathic Medical schools. We are trained to use colon hydrotherapy as treatment for many of the concerns our patients come to us with, along with safety, indications and contraindications for colon hydrotherapy. Every accredited naturopathic medical school in the United States teaches colon hydrotherapy in their curriculum as part of our unique Naturopathic course of studies.

I have used colon hydrotherapy in my practice for over 12 years. In my practice, I employ I-Act certified Colon Hydrotherapists, who safely perform colon hydrotherapy for my patients, under my direct supervision. My patients experience great benefits from colon hydrotherapy.

As a long-practicing Naturopathic Physician in good standing, I would like to continue to provide Colon Hydrotherapy to my patients, and in addition, ask this board to recognize I-ACT certified colon hydrotherapists in statute.

For these reasons, I would urge your favorable action on Senate Bill 873.

Thank you.